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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair and Members of the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee
CC: Phoebe Rai, Legislative Assistant
FROM: Matt Keliher, Manager, Solid Waste
DATE: September 18, 2015
SUBJECT: **Solid Waste Regional Chairs Committee Update**

At the September 18, 2015 meeting of the Regional Chairs there was discussion among the Regional Chairs and staff regarding Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and the recent announcement by the Minister of the Environment, Andrew Younger. The Minister announced that there will be a pause with the EPR regulations. In addition to the pause on EPR, NSE confirmed that this pause relates to all solid waste regulations currently being reviewed by the Province. A motion was passed that the Regional Chairs forward a letter to the Minister requesting additional information on the pause and what the next steps are with regards to new regulations. During the meeting there was also a presentation by the Priorities Group on the pros and cons of the full model of EPR and the shared model. It was confirmed that the October 23, 2015 UNSM EPR information session in Truro is moving forward as planned. All Mayors, Wardens, Councillors, CAO's and senior waste management staff are encouraged to attend.

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